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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, lines 6-8 the specification as follows, substituting the paragraph amended as indicated below for the current paragraph:

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This is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent [Application] No. [09/281,078 filed March 30, 1999] 6,487,530 entitled "METHOD FOR RECOGNIZING NON-STANDARD AND STANDARD SPEECH BY SPEAKER INDEPENDENT AND SPEAKER DEPENDENT WORD MODELS", the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Please amend the paragraph at page 6, lines 6-15 the specification as follows, substituting the paragraph amended as indicated below for the current paragraph:

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In accordance with yet another aspect of the present invention, a voice messaging system[,] includes a speech recognition system for controlling operation of the voice messaging system. The speech recognition system includes memory storing a first set of word models[,] for recognizing speech independent of the identity of a user. The first set of word models is suitable for recognizing a plurality of system commands controlling operation of the voice messaging system[a]. The memory further stores a second set of models[,] for recognizing speech of a particular

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B2 user, at least one model of the second set for initiating performance of at least one of the plurality of system commands, so that at least one of the system commands may be performed in response to a recognized user chosen word.
